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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PFOR MOPS BR GY VE
SUBJECT: ALLEGED BRAZILIAN GUYANESE TROOP CLASH

REF: CARACAS 1329

1. BRAZILIAN PRESS FEB. 9 HAS CARRIED ITAMARATY DENIAL THAT BRAZILIAN AND GUYANESE TROOPS CLASHED ALONG THEIR MUTUAL FRONTIERS (REFTEL), CLAIMING "THERE IS NOT THE LEAST BASIS FOR THIS NEWS." DENIAL WAS ECHOED BY THE ARMY MINISTRY WHICH CLAIMED NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY FRONTIER INCIDENT DESPITE GOOD (AND FREQUENT) COMMUNICATIONS WITH BRAZILIAN MILITARY COMMAND IN THE AREA.

2. SIMILARLY, GUYANESE CHARGE IN BRASILIA TOLD PRESS AFTER CHECKING WITH GEORGETOWN THAT REPORTS OF ALLEGED CLASH WERE INCORRECT. HE ADDED IN A SECOND STATEMENT THAT GUYANESE FOREIGN MINISTER FRED WILLS HAD ALSO ISSUED A DENIAL OF THE INCIDENT IN GEORGETOWN AND COMMENTED THAT SUCH FALSE REPORTS ARE INTENDED TO PORTRAY GUYANA AS A "BELLICOSE COUNTRY."

3. JORNAL DE BRASILIA ADDED THAT BRAZILIAN DIPLOMATIC SOURCES
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BELIEVED VENEZUELAN PRESS WAS TRYING TO CREATE FRICTION BETWEEN BRAZIL AND GUYANA, NOTING THIS WAS NOT THE FIRST TIME REPORTS SIMILAR TO THIS HAD ORIGINATED IN VENEZUELA.
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